

*Sub B* 19. (New) An apparatus for transmitting data in a network between first and second single-line digital subscriber line (SDSL) modems using a standard high data rate digital subscriber line (HDSL) frame format, the frame format including at least one field in each data payload block for implementing a feature relating to one of T1 and E1 transmission protocols, the apparatus comprising means for employing the at least one field for transmission of selected payload data.

*Sub A* 20. (New) At least one computer readable medium having computer program instructions stored therein for causing a network device to transmit data in a network between first and second single-line digital subscriber line (SDSL) modems using a standard high data rate digital subscriber line (HDSL) frame format, the frame format including at least one field in each data payload block for implementing a feature relating to one of T1 and E1 transmission protocols, the computer program instructions comprising first instructions for employing the at least one field for transmission of selected payload data.

*Sub A* 21. (New) A computer data signal embodied in a carrier wave and representing a high data rate digital subscriber line (HDSL) data frame comprising a plurality of overhead fields and a plurality of payload fields, each of the payload fields having at least one additional field associated therewith for implementing a feature relating to one of T1 and E1 transmission protocols, wherein the at least one additional fields are used for transmitting payload data on a single-line digital subscriber line (SDSL).

22. (New) The computer data signal of claim 21 wherein the at least one additional field comprises an F/Z bit field.